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## Salamonie Lake workdays continue throughout summer

Salamonie Lake's Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, will host a variety of volunteer work-related activities. Check-in and instructions will be available at the Interpretive and Nature Center. The volunteer workdays will continue throughout the summer at 9 a.m. Monday, June 21; 9 a.m. Monday, July 26; 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16; and 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25. For more information, visit 260-468-2127.

## WCPL plans summer reading events

For children in fifth grade and younger, Mystery Maker Bags containing crafts and science experiments will be available from the Wabash Carnegie Public Library (WCPL) every Tuesday and Friday. A special program will take place off-site at 10 a.m. each Wednesday. Storytime kits will be available for pick up on Thursdays, though advanced registration is required through the library's online calendar, by visiting [www.wabash.evanced.com/kids](http://www.wabash.evanced.com/kids). Teen craft kits will be offered each Thursday and adults will have kits on Tuesday, June 22 and Tuesday, July 13. Registration is available for these kits but is not required. Tutorial videos will be available on the library's Facebook page for these kits, as well. Youth services will be offering two book kits in June, including Dogman on Friday, June 11 and A Wolf Called Wander on Friday, June 25. Registration for these kits is

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# City Council to annex Ladd property

Access to the city's sewer services behind the move

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The annexation of 7.18 acres of property near 200 West – or Alber Street – and Highway 24 is now closer to becoming a reality after a series of actions taken during Monday's Wabash City Council meeting.

A public hearing on a special ordinance to petition for and consent to annexation was led by Rick Fisher, who represents property

owner Dr. John R. Ladd.

The property consists of 1.59 acres located on the north side of Highway 24 and the east side of 200 West in Noble Township Precinct 6 and Wabash City Council District 4. The properties contiguous to Highway 24 on the south and the property contiguous to 200 West on the west are within the city limits.

Fisher said they were required to come up with a fiscal plan for the annexation of the property.

"The organization and extension of services is merely to provide (the) same services to the 1.59 acre Ladd

property" as are provided to the 6-acre property owned by WC-Wabash on the west side of 200 West, according to the fiscal plan.

However, Fisher said he didn't "see that there's any fiscal impact on the city to speak of" as Miller's Merry Manor is located on the other side of 200 West is part of the city already.

Grow Wabash County CEO and president Keith Gillenwater said they had been working with Ladd on this annexation process.

"One of the things that became necessary for them to connect to the utility system," said Gillenwater. "It's

essentially just letting them tap into it."

Once the meeting began, the council took up the first reading of Resolution 5.2021, which adopts a fiscal plan for annexation.

City Attorney Doug Lehman said the fiscal plan was required by the state statutes which authorize annexations by a municipality.

"Before you can do the annexation you have to adopt a fiscal plan that spells out how you as a governing body are going to provide the resources, services that people expect from their city government," he said. "Before you can bring in ad-

ditional territory, you have to be able to say that we will in fact provide sewers, we will, in fact, provide police protection, fire protection. Things like that and you have to have a fiscal plan that shows that you can reasonably financially afford to provide those services and that you will provide them within a reasonable period of time. Generally, you're given three years."

Lehman said Fisher has provided a fiscal plan and he had the opportunity to read it beforehand.

"All the services that we as

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## Lagro Good Ole' Days Festival continues Saturday



Photos by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

Gary Kanable, with Clown Town Motorcycles and Sharp Shooters Express, was in the process of auctioning off a 12-gauge shotgun, with proceeds being collected by American Legion Post No. 248 and then donated to Riley Children's Hospital.

Fireworks, music, monster truck rides, vendors, food and more scheduled

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

On Thursday evening at the Lagro Good Ole' Days Festival, several vendors were lined up and down the closed street as attendees milled about.

At one end was Anita Lasley, of Upland, who was working a booth featuring "mostly hats, toys, knives, and little odds and ends stuff."

Lasley said they work many of these fairs throughout the area.

Lasley said their biggest sellers were generally their hats, some with "Jesus Christ: Jesus Is Lord" emblazoned on the front in the



Michelle Davidson, right, who is Randy Davidson's daughter, and Della Davidson, center, who is Randy Davidson's widow, were working the booth to raise money for his headstone.

style of the Harley-Davidson logo next to others featuring "Trump 2020: Keep America Great."

"We're real big about the hats," said Lasley.

A few booths down, on the other side of the street,

a neon green poster board hanging from the blue

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## INDOT to begin work on Indiana 13 bridge over Mississinewa

The project is set to start Thursday, June 24 and last until mid-August

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

On Thursday, the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announces bridge maintenance work would soon begin on Indiana 13 over the Mississinewa River, said public relations manager Hunter Petroviak.

Crews will be conducting the bridgework seven miles south of Wabash between Whites Drive and Howell Road.

The work is scheduled to begin on or after Thursday, June 24 and is expected to

last until mid-August.

"The purpose of the work on the bridge is general maintenance of the bridge to extend its service life for Hoosiers to use," said Petroviak.

During construction, Indiana 13 will be reduced to one lane. Traffic should be prepared to stop and obey the temporary traffic signal. There's a width limit of 12 feet in the project zone.

"I am not aware of any upcoming closures related to this bridgework as one lane will be open regulated by a temporary traffic signal," said Petroviak.

Petroviak said work on this bridge has been planned since 2019 and is part of a contract costing approximately \$342,000.

Petroviak said this is a



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Crews will be conducting the bridgework seven miles south of Wabash between Whites Drive and Howell Road.

normal project for INDOT, which means it's 80 percent federal funding and 20 percent state funding.

This scheduled bridge

maintenance work is one of several ongoing projects recently announced in Wabash

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## WCUF seeks local nonprofits for annual campaign

Applications for this year's round of funding are due by Friday, July 2

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Local nonprofit agencies have only a few weeks to apply for funds during this year's Wabash County United Fund (WCUF) Annual Campaign, said executive director Steve Johnson.

Johnson said eligible agencies include 501(c)3 organizations serving Wabash County. Organizations interested in receiving a portion of this funding for specific programs must complete and submit an application and budget summary to WCUF by Friday, July 2.

"This year's WCUF campaign will be particularly important as we continue our recovery from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic,"

See **WCUF**, page A3

## North Manchester fireworks set for July 3 at high school

The free celebration kicks off at 7 p.m. with the Manchester Civic Band

By **ANNE GREGORY**

Manchester University, Manchester Community Schools and the town of North Manchester present the 2021 Independence Day Celebration and Fireworks Display at Manchester High School on Saturday, July 3.

The rain date is July 4. The free celebration kicks off at 7 p.m. with the Manchester Civic Band. Families and individuals are encouraged to come early to find a spot. Lawn chairs or blankets will make viewing more comfortable.

Parking is available at Manchester High School, Manchester Administrative Building and Manchester Recreation Association lots.

The North Manchester Fire

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# Rotary chicken BBQ is Saturday, June 19 at Neighborhood Fresh

The event raises funds to serve community needs

By ANNE GREGORY

The Rotary Club of North Manchester is rolling out the Weber Grills again for the fourth annual North Manchester Rotary Grilled Chicken BBQ. The event is scheduled from 11 to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 19 in the parking lot in front of Neighborhood Fresh, 1204 E. State Road 114.

“The chicken is charcoal grilled on-site by our volunteer crew,” said event coordinator Sue Roesner. “We hope you’ll join us to pick up a great meal and help support local organizations and causes.”

A meal is two pieces of chicken, chips and a drink for \$7. A small meal is one piece of chicken, chips and a drink for \$5.

It is a drive-through pickup only.

All proceeds go to local organizations and causes, including scholarships for graduating Manchester Junior-Senior High School students, the Fellowship of Churches Food Pantry and the new pollinator garden at the North Manchester Public Library.

The BBQ event was timed to coincide with the June 19 “Welcome to my Garden” tour in North Manchester and the weekly Farmers Market.

“We want to thank Neighborhood Fresh for being such a gracious host and the community for its generous support,” said Anne Gregory, club president.



Provided photo

The event is scheduled from 11 to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 19 in the parking lot in front of Neighborhood Fresh, 1204 E. State Road 114.

Established June 27, 1939, the Rotary Club of North Manchester has a long history of serving the community and doing good works.

Currently meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays on Zoom, the club raises money for local nonprofit organizations, including the Early Learning Center, Learn More Center, Junior Achievement, Friends of the Library, Education for Conflict Resolution and Manchester Alive.

It sponsors the sports Rotary Mental Attitude Awards at the high school. Now that COVID is on the wane, it hopes to restore the Rotary District World Affairs Conference at Manchester University, where high school students take a deep dive into an important global topic.

The club also does larger

projects to improve the quality of life in North Manchester, such as raising enough money locally and through a Rotary district grant to put in landscaping at the canoe launch at Ogan’s Landing on the Eel River.

It contributed to the Manchester Early Learning Center Building Fund, developed Robin’s Way walking trail on East Street and erected a gazebo next to the Thomas Marshall House on Market Street.

The local club is part of Rotary International, a global network of 1.2 million people in more than 35,000 clubs who provide service to others, promote integrity and advance goodwill through action.

Anne Gregory is the assistant director of media relations in the Office of Strategic Communications at Manchester University.

# Salamonie Preschool offers ‘D is for Decomposition’

Program planned from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 14

## STAFF REPORT

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool’s “D is for Decomposition,” according to interpretive naturalist Teresa Rody.

“When dead things de-

cay, they become part of the soil,” said Rody.

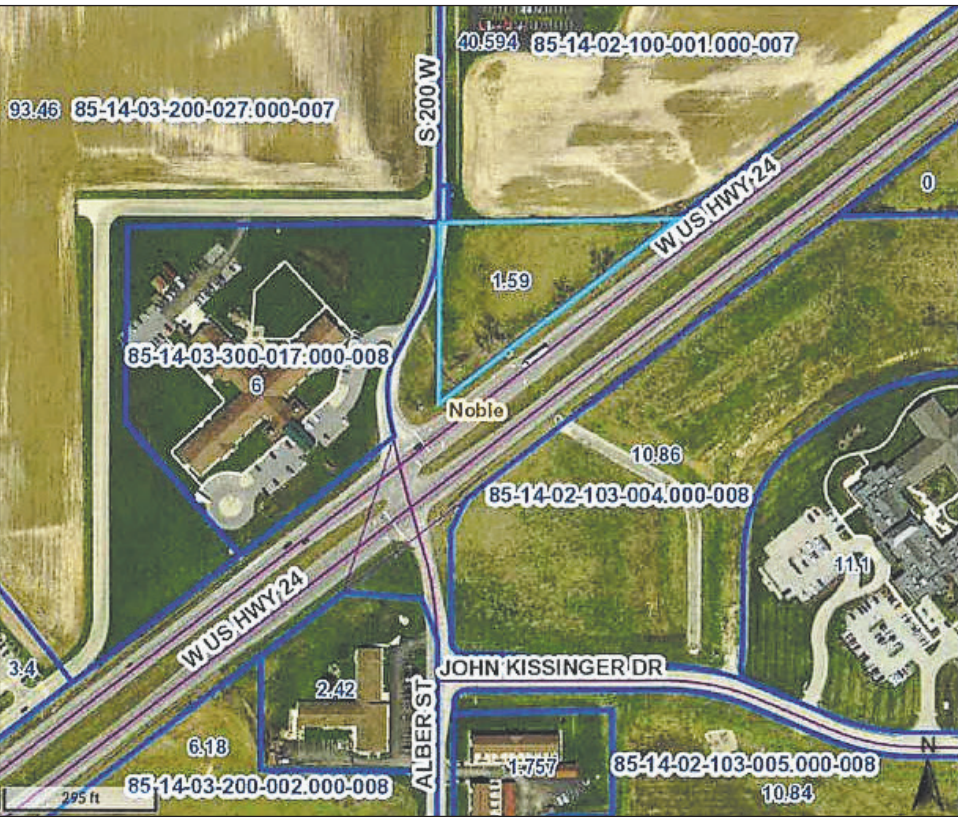
Children ages 2 to 5 and their adults are welcome to attend the class from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 14 at Salamonie Interpretive Center located in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews.

Each program is designed to enhance the preschooler’s

basic education, including music, crafts, social interaction and time outdoors, always with a nature-related theme.

The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated. Register by calling Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at 260-468-2127.

For more information on other UWIS programs, visit facebook.com/upperwabash.



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This map shows the area being considered for annexation.

## COUNCIL

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a governmental body would be expected to provide to a taxpayer, which is what Ladd will be once we annex him. All those services that we would be able to and should provide to him are already there. The police and fire. The nursing home that’s across the street. The highways is across the street,” said Lehman.

Lehman said the main reason for the annexation is

that Ladd would like to have access to the city’s sewage facilities rather than a septic system.

Lehman said the city had a policy that they don’t extend sewer service outside the city limits, “so he needs to be annexed in order to get that.”

“The sewer system goes right past the property so we aren’t having to provide any additional infrastructure to provide that to him. So, bottom line is this is a fiscal plan that shows that are very little if any finan-

cial impact to the city in annexing this property,” said Lehman.

Lehman and Gillenwater both said this annexation will provide an addition to the city’s tax base.

After the discussion, first readings of the resolution and Special Ordinance 1.2021 for petition and consent to annexation into the city both passed unanimously.

Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.

### 5-Day Weather Summary

 <b>Saturday</b> Showers Likely 87 / 70	 <b>Sunday</b> Scattered T-storms 88 / 72	 <b>Monday</b> Few Showers 85 / 58	 <b>Tuesday</b> Few Showers 71 / 50	 <b>Wednesday</b> Mostly Sunny 73 / 55
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#### Sun and Moon

Today's sunset ..... 9:13 p.m.  
Tomorrow's sunrise ..... 6:15 a.m.

 Full 6/24	 Last 7/1	 New 7/9	 First 7/17
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#### Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with an 80% chance of showers, high temperature of 87°, humidity of 65%. Southwest wind 7 to 11 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 55% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 70°. South southwest wind 11 mph.

# If you are a father, seek to be one like our Heavenly Father

By DAVE PHILLIPS

In May we celebrated our dad’s 96th birthday. This Sunday, on Father’s Day, I will celebrate almost 76 years of him being my father. In many ways, he was the kind of father that God is to us when we put our trust in Jesus and surrender to his will. I am sure he was not aware of it and probably would deny it now. I am sure it influenced my desire to be a father the way God the Father fathers his children.

Even before my dad gave his life to Christ at 36 years old, he practiced some of those traits. My prayer was that I would be able to father as God fathers his children. How does God father his children?

My dad and mom worked together. I was raised on an Indiana farm. We worked together doing what most farmers did in the 1950s and 1960s. My mom and he were a team. They loved and supported each other. They took me to church. We neighbored. Similar to the trinity: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, they were on the same page. I was a part of a strong support system, influenced by the teachings of the Bible. Looking back, this still brings me a strong sense of security. God the Father is always at work behind the scenes in our lives. He, the Son and the Holy Spirit work

together to accomplish His will in my life. Check out Philippians 2:13.

My dad was always present. I cannot remember him not being a part of my life. Teaching me how to hit a softball, how to shoot basketballs, how to feed a baby calf, how to ride a bike. I could count on him, never doubted that he would be there for me. What a gift. God also promises to never leave nor forsake us. He is always present for his children. I know many whose dads were not there for them. They have had to struggle with believing God the Father was good and there for them. No matter what our earthly fathers were like or did, our Heavenly Father is there for us. Meditate on Romans 8:31 and surrounding verses.

My dad always taught me how to live. Mostly by example, but also with words. He hung in there when things got tough, as they often did on the farm. He persevered when prices of corn, beans and pigs fell, when the weather did not co-operate, when machinery broke down at most inopportune times when we kids went through rough patches. He still has six living children. He was there as our mom slowly died of cancer. He worked through discouragement and depression. He learned to trust God for peace amid life’s storms. I have observed that most

well-adjusted children had fathers who were strong yet gentle. Yes, we were corrected when we got off the beaten path. He is also a lifelong learner. At 96 he still is reading and learning and growing. Spend time this week reading Hebrews 12:5,6.

After he gave his life to Christ at age 36, he began to share his faith with others. He wanted Bible commentaries. He began to teach Sunday school classes, which he did into his 90s. He prays for us daily. He sent Christian devotionals regularly to all his grandchildren. I am writing this article in the hospital with my wife Debbie who is not well. He calls us and prays for us over the speakerphone. I am grateful. He still is serving his Heavenly Father. Check out II Corinthians 6:4.

You may not have been blessed with such an earthly father. But you can be with a Heavenly Father who is good and faithful, loving and kind, strong and fair. He loves you so much that he sent His beloved Son Jesus to die on the cross for our sins and falling short, to break down the barriers between us and Himself. Find out more about this Heavenly Father as you consider your earthly father. If you are a father, seek to be one like our Heavenly Father. Have a great Father’s Day.

Dave Phillips is the pastor of Wabash Friends Church.

# Summer activities at the Wabash County Museum continue

Programs available for ages 0 to 5, and kindergarten through sixth grades

## STAFF REPORT

With a view on our mission to inspire children, connect families and create community engagement through an appreciation of local history and culture that focuses on research, education, and quality of life interests, the Wabash County Museum kicks off its summer program offerings for preschool and elementary-age youth, according to director of guest experience Bailey Hobbs.

For preschool families

with children ages 0 to 5, “Bear Den Days” will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:130 p.m., and 1:30 to 3 p.m. every Wednesday at 36 E. Market St. Sessions will begin with a weekly theme-based story and activity before moving into the Bear Den for an hour of playtime with friends. Registration is recommended due to limited capacity. Admission will be free to those who register in advance. Registration is available at www.wabashmuseum.org/events.

Through Friday, July 30, the Wabash County Museum will offer the “Museum Explorers” opportunity for young people who have just completed kindergarten through sixth grades.

Youth can visit the Wabash County Museum from Tuesdays through Fridays all summer long to participate in a scavenger hunt where they will find clues in the Wabash County Museum’s various exhibits to win prizes. A different scavenger hunt may be completed each week for the chance to enter an end-of-summer drawing to win one of several large prizes. No registration is required and admission is free to all participating children. Accompanying adults will be subject to the standard admission price unless they have a current museum membership.

For more information, visit www.wabashmuseum.org.

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# Obituaries

## James Melvin Teague

Dec. 1, 1946 – June 16, 2021

James Melvin Teague, 74, of Wabash, Indiana, died 5 am, Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home in Fort Wayne. He was born on Dec. 1, 1946, in Jonesboro, Arkansas, to Floyd “Calvin” and Edith (Painter) Teague.

James was a US Navy veteran serving in Vietnam aboard the USS Theodore E. Chandler, and also served in the Indiana National Guard. He married Sharon Kay Niccum in Wabash on May 14, 1988; she died June 3, 2017. James worked at General Tire in Wabash, retiring after 36 years. He was a member of the Wabash American Legion Post 15, and a former member of the Wabash Moose Lodge. He was a St. Jude Hospital and a Leukemia Lymphoma Society Donor. James enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

He is survived by four children, Anthony (Doug) Teague of Indianapolis, Indiana, Rebel (Dallas) Decker of Kokomo, Indiana, Shane Teague of Wabash, and Tracy Terhorst of Hawaii, 10 grandchildren, four great grandchildren, two special nephews, Zach (Katy) Niccum and Austin Niccum, both of Indianapolis, and



two sisters, Brenda Hinson of Hampton, Virginia, and Linda (Jerry) Fleming of Hickory, North Carolina. He was also preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Jimmy Teague, and his grandson, Keaton Teague.

Funeral services will be 2 pm, Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, with Pastor Michael Alley officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 4-8 pm Monday, at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is St. Jude Children’s Hospital.

The memorial guest book for James may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

## Miriam Lee Rusher

March 28, 1931 – June 11, 2021

Miriam Lee Rusher joined the heavenly choir on June 11, 2021. Miriam passed away at Timbercrest Healthcare Center in North Manchester, Indiana. She was born in rural Miami County, IN, to Ocal and Wilma (Balsbaugh) Robins on March 28, 1931.

A celebration of Miriam’s life will be held Monday,

July 5, 2021 at 12 noon with calling beginning at 11 a.m. at the North Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley Street, North Manchester, Indiana. Pastor Kurt Borgmann and Pastor Amy Gall Ritchie will officiate.

The family of Miriam Rusher has entrusted McKee Mortuary with care and final arrangements.

## Wendell L. Hart

Dec. 30, 1940 – June 16, 2021

Wendell L. Hart, 80, of Wabash, passed away at 8:15 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at his residence. He was born in Morgan County, Indiana on Dec. 30, 1940, to the late Loren Hart and Ruby (Tumey) Pryor. Wendell married Marcia Allen on October 30, 1980; she survives.

A public graveside service

will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at New South Park Cemetery in Martinsville, Indiana.

McDonald Funeral Homes, 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, Indiana 46992, has been entrusted with the arrangements of Wendell Hart.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.mcdonaldfunerals.com](http://www.mcdonaldfunerals.com).

## FESTIVAL

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canopy read: “All Proceeds go to Randy Davidson’s headstone.”

Michelle Davidson, who introduced herself as Randy Davidson’s daughter, was working the booth.

“We’re getting so close to getting the headstone he wanted. Everything that’s being sold today is going straight to that,” said Michelle Davidson.

According to his obituary, Randall Keith Davidson, 67, of rural Wabash, died at 11:40 am, Thursday, June 11, 2020 at his home. He was born Nov. 26, 1952 in Wabash, to Isaac and Ethel (Inyart) Davidson.

“He worked at Clark’s Salvage Yard more than 30 years,” read the obituary. “He was affiliated with the Lincolnville United Methodist Church. Randy enjoyed his tools, operating his backhoe and wrecker, his 1977 Chevy and his barn. He loved his grandkids and

great-grandkids.”

Randy Davidson married Della Blevins in Lagro on July 10, 1970. Michelle Davidson said their preferred headstone was a red heart with Randy’s name on it, along with Della Davidson’s.

“We have a little bit of everything,” said Della Davidson, pointing to the grab bags marked for \$5 each. “We’ve got a bunch of them. They’ve got over \$5 of stuff in them.”

At the other end of the block was Gary Kanable, who was with Clown Town Motorcycles and Sharp Shooters Express.

Kanable was in the process of auctioning off a 12-gauge shotgun for charity.

Kanable said the proceeds were being collected by American Legion Post No. 248 and benefiting Riley Children’s Hospital, though indirectly.

“Riley doesn’t want weaponry involved. It’s something the Legion does and they turn over all the funds to Riley’s. That way it’s not affiliated with Riley,” said Kanable. “We’ve had good luck with

it. It’s the way they do it to raise money.”

Kanable said the fundraiser from last year “with the COVID it was kind of lean,” but they still managed to turn in around \$9,700.

“My goal for this year is \$20,000, but we’ll see,” said Kanable. “People seem to want to be out.”

A sign on the front of the booth stated entrants must be 18 years old to enter, and the name will be drawn at 5:10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2. Entrants do not have to be present to win and the cost for tickets was \$5 each, with five available for \$20. The Clown Town Motorcycles and Sharp Shooters Express will present the 8th annual Car and Bike Show Bike Ride for Riley Kids on Saturday, Oct. 2 at the American Legion Post No. 248, 800 Washington St., Lagro. Car show registration will be \$15 per car and will begin at 11 a.m., with kickstands up and entertainment starting at noon. For more information, call 260-466-7655.

The Lagro Good Ole’ Days

## Kurt Douglas Binkerd

Nov. 30, 1964 – June 15, 2021

Kurt Douglas Binkerd, 56, of Wabash, passed away Tuesday, June 15, 2021, at his home in Wabash. He was born on Nov. 30, 1964 in



Wabash to Isaac and Gloria (Hoffman) Binkerd. Kurt was a 1983 graduate of Wabash High School and a 1987 graduate of Ball State University, where he earned his bachelor’s degree in Graphic Design. He worked at Color Graphics and Micro Print, both in Boston. After returning to Wabash in 2001, he worked for Homier and also for The American Indians.

More than anything Kurt loved being a father to Casey. He was a good cook and a gifted artist and woodworker, creating many beautiful pieces over the years. He also played guitar and loved music. He

loved the outdoors and enjoyed camping and fishing.

He is survived by his daughter, Casey Binkerd of Wenham, Massachusetts; his mother, Gloria (Hoffman) Binkerd, Wabash; three brothers, Keith (Theresa) Binkerd of Logansport, Kevin (Lori) Binkerd of Andrews, and Kraig (Sharon) Binkerd of Anderson; along with nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Isaac Binkerd.

Visitation will be 11 a.m. to 1 p.m with service immediately following on Monday, June 21, 2021 at Christ United Methodist Church, 477 N. Wabash St., Wabash, Indiana. Burial will take place at Memorial Lawns, Wabash. Arrangements by Northern Indiana Funeral Care.

## Karen D. Hamilton

Feb. 15, 1939 – June 17, 2021

Karen D. Hamilton, 82, of Wabash, passed away at 1:25 p.m. on June 17, 2021, at Miller’s Merry Manor – West in Wabash. She was born in Teegarden, Indiana, on Feb. 15, 1939, to the late Francis and Pearl P. (Lowery) Kring.



Karen was a 1957 graduate of Tyner High School. She worked as a nurse’s aide at the Wabash County Hospital and in 1998, she retired after 39 years of service. Karen was a member of the First Church of God in Wabash.

Karen is survived by two brothers, Charles A. Kring, of Grovertown, Indiana and

Leonard F. (Reva) Kring, of Branson, Missouri. She is preceded in death by one sister, Evangeline Klingerman.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 23, 2021, at McDonald Funeral Homes, 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, Indiana 46992. Burial will follow at Tyner Cemetery in Tyner, Indiana.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the funeral services, starting at 9 a.m., at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.mcdonaldfunerals.com](http://www.mcdonaldfunerals.com).

## James R Hyden

Jan. 31, 1949 – April 23, 2021

Jamie Enjoyed Fishing and spending time with family and friends.



James R Hyden, 72 of Independence, Missouri, formerly of Wabash and Silver Lake, Indiana died on April 23, 2021. He was born on Jan. 31, 1949 in Van Lear, Kentucky to Taylor and Martha (Hatfield) Hyden. James married Sherry (Machmer) Hyden on Jan. 6, 1979. She resides in Blue Spring, Missouri. James is survived by one

son Shamus Hyden and two daughters Nikki Lynne Hyden and Jennifer Hyden Dials. Three brothers Orville Hyden, William Lloyd Hyden and Harold Hyden. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Charles Hyden and five sisters Ola May Collins, Minnie Alice Wilcox, Jewel Giuricich, Doris Cathleen Patrick and Dora Ann Porter.

Per James wishes there was no services held.

# A different path for women

“Men want sex.” Gloria Purvis is quite blunt speaking to a group of about 130 young women from around the United States, Canada and Mexico.

## Kathryn Lopez



This is the GIVEN Catholic Young Women’s Leadership Forum, being held at the Catholic University of America. The theme

of the forum, and the GIVEN Institute that runs it, is: “Discover the gift that only you can give, because of the gift that you are.”

Purvis’ message to these young women, all under 30, is that we need a civilization of love, and it is only possible if women know their own beauty. It’s a message all women – and men – need to realize – that we must treasure one another and our gifts, and not use one another, as the culture often sets young people up to do.

The GIVEN Institute and the gathering in D.C. this month are a corrective to our jaded, cynical, overly medicated and sexualized society. The natural order is amazing, even when there are imperfections. Gloria Purvis is a woman who revels in her femininity, unique as it is in each woman.

A role model in this crowd is St. Edith Stein, also known by her Carmelite religious name St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. She was a philosopher convert to the Catholic faith who died at Auschwitz. To get a taste of her thinking, here’s a quote: “Woman naturally seeks to embrace that which is living, personal and whole. To cherish, guard, protect, nourish and advance growth is her natural, maternal yearning.” And: “The soul of woman must be expansive and open to all human beings; it must be quiet so that no small weak flame will be extinguished by stormy winds; warm so as not to bumb fragile buds ... empty of itself, in order that extraneous life may have room in it; finally, mistress of itself and also of its body, so that the entire person is readily at the disposal of every call.” Finally: “Do not accept anything as love which lacks truth.”

GIVEN is a haven. It’s the first post-COVID

gathering for many of these young women (there are masks and distancing), who are all seeking resources to live in the light of eternity. Purvis was a breath of fresh air for so many of them. She’s a wife and mother who lets her opinion be known (she’s got a new podcast with America Media), loves her Catholic faith and lives in the real world. She encourages the young women to live lives of “greater virtue and sacrifice. This is how you build a civilization of love.”

Multiple doctors here have talked about their struggles as professionals and prescribing birth control. They’ve come to learn that birth control isn’t good medical care. It’s not care for the whole person. It’s not recognizing the tremendous gift that is woman and all that that entails. Sisters here want to walk a walk of sanctity. To be a soldier for Christ, as Sister Dede Byrne just put it as I type.

Another speaker, Leah Jacobson, said: “Our bodies tell us deep spiritual truths. We lactate for a reason. Children need us for a reason .... Don’t fear your body.”

Yet another speaker, Sister Maria Theotokos Adams, said this about biological maternity and spiritual maternity: “There will be a suffering and there is sacrificial pain in bringing forth life.” This is the truth about love and life we often try to avoid talking about. Suffering and sacrifice can be beautiful when it’s for the flourishing of another.

The absolutely most repeated St. Edith Stein quote at a GIVEN forum every time it’s convened, is: “The world doesn’t need what women have; it needs what women are.” This week, young women are coming to peace with who they are and what a gift they are, given love by God to be love in the world. That means being maternal, in whatever vocation they find themselves. This is the reality our confused culture and lives desperately need.

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## FIREWORKS

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Department will light up the sky with fireworks over the high school baseball field at about 10 p.m.

“Thanks to the firefighters who volunteer their time to set up and run the show. They do an awesome job every year,” said Alexis Young, Manchester University assistant vice president

for facilities and auxiliary operations.

Young, Manchester Community Schools business manager Jeremy Markham and Town Manager Adam Penrod organized the overall event.

For the safety of guests, no alcohol, sparklers or personal fireworks are permitted.

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## BRIDGE

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County.

Indiana 114 near North Manchester is now closed for bridge maintenance. Crews are working between Gene Stratton Porter Road and Rock-Springs Pike. Work is scheduled to last until early July. During the closure, motorists should use the posted detour of Indiana 13, Indiana 16 and Indiana 105.

INDOT has also been conducting bridge maintenance work over the Wabash River on Indiana 13 and Indiana 15 in Wabash. The northbound lanes between Lafontaine Avenue and Miami Street are closed to traffic. Motorists should

use the posted detour of Lafontaine Avenue, Huntington Street and Market Street. The southbound lanes between Fulton Street and Dimension Avenue are reduced to one lane because of the work. The work is set to wrap up in July.

In addition, alternating lane closures are occurring on Indiana 15 between Indiana 13 and Wedcor Avenue. Widths are restricted to 13 feet during the project and that loads wider than 13 feet should seek an alternate route using the nearest numbered state, U.S. or interstate routes. The work is scheduled to wrap up by mid-summer.

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## WCUF

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said 2021 WCUF president of the board of directors Cathy Wolfe. “Many programs supported by WCUF are aimed at helping people through these rough financial times.”

Johnson said for programs to be considered for funding, they must address the human service needs of their clients and meet one or more of WCUF’s focus initiatives:

1. Education: “Address the education challenge by offering effective strategies and approaches to all income levels, especially early

childhood education, to increase graduation rates and create educated communities in Wabash County,” said Johnson.

2. Health and Healthy Living: “A healthy lifestyle typically leads to a longer, more productive life. Community members are connected to available physical and mental health support resources,” said Johnson.

3. Income and Financial Stability: “Strategies for community change that help families meet their basic needs, gaining the financial capability to accomplish their long-term financial goals,” said Johnson.

Johnson said agencies must

agree to maintain 501(c)3 status, have a local volunteer board of directors that meets regularly, keep accurate records that conform with Standards of Account and Financial Reporting, and must submit quarterly program reports of activity to WCUF.

Johnson said Funding for selected agency programs will begin in January 2022. A volunteer board of directors governs United Fund.

Eighteen local non-profit agencies currently receive financial support from the annual United Fund campaign. These programs feed the hungry, mentor youth, provide medical care, educate

citizens, advocate for victims of abuse, and transport young and old.

In January, the Wabash Rotary Club contributed to the WCUF annual fundraising campaign by hosting a benefit golf outing for the 29th year. Last year’s event was modified due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Wabash Rotary created the No Outing Golf Outing to raise \$3,500 for the United Fund 2020 Campaign.

For more information, call 260-563-6726 or email [steve.johnson@wcunitedfund.org](mailto:steve.johnson@wcunitedfund.org).

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# Opinion

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The Wabash Plain Dealer encourages your letters to the editor forum, which is designed to be a forum for exchange of ideas between readers about issues of community importance.

Please sign your letter. Your name will be used with the letter that is published in the Plain Dealer. Your letter will be returned if it is your desire to remain anonymous.

Since we may want to write or call you to verify the letter, we ask that you include your address and telephone number. All our letters to the editor are published in the interest of fair play, so we trust our letter writers will refrain from personal attacks on other persons or groups.

A letter should be less than two pages long, preferably of double-spaced typing.

In order to give everyone an opportunity to participate in this exchange of ideas, please try to limit your letters to one per month per household.

To submit a letter, please write the Wabash Plain Dealer at 99 W. Canal St., Wabash, IN 46992.

Letters also may be hand-delivered to the newspaper office, 99 W. Canal St. The office is open 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you should deliver a letter during non-business hours, a drop slot is located to the left of the front door. Letters may be placed to 260-563-0816, or email them to [news@wabashplainedealer.com](mailto:news@wabashplainedealer.com) with "Letters to the Editor" in the subject line.

## DAILY SCRIPTURE

It is an honor for a man to keep aloof from strife, but every fool will be quarreling.

Proverbs 20:3

# Biden, China and Europe: The U.S. is back – for now

It is 50 years next month since Henry Kissinger embarked on the secret mission to Beijing that led to a rapprochement: "It is the conviction of President Nixon that a strong and developing People's Republic of China poses no threat to any essential U.S. interest," the national security adviser assured leaders there. Half a century on, the thaw is over. The thread running through Joe Biden's first foreign trip as president is the need for democratic alliances against growing authoritarian might, and though attention now turns to his meeting with Vladimir Putin on Wednesday, the administration's real focus has been on China. While Beijing's record on the pandemic, trade, human rights and other specific areas has rightly raised deep concern internationally, the underlying issue is its rise, and the decline of U.S. power.

"The US is ill and very ill indeed," foreign ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian declared in Beijing on Tuesday. Washington's waning power was exemplified by Donald Trump, with his erratic pronouncements and conduct, veneration of autocrats and contempt for allies. Yet if Mr. Biden has largely defined himself in opposition to his predecessor, he often sounds strikingly similar on China. His approach too is shaped by domestic politics: talking tough on Beijing offers some prospect of political unity in a deeply divided country, should help to ward off Republican attacks on that front, and recognises that

the business world is shifting. The U.S. knows it must work with China on the climate crisis – with the critical Cop26 talks due this autumn – and says it does not want a cold war. Mr. Biden has shunned his predecessor's racism. But the overall hawkish tone struck on China, including briefings around the "lab leak" pandemic theory, has a cold war feel and broader repercussions – with people of east Asian descent, who have nothing to do with decisions in Beijing, facing hostility and attacks.

In Europe, as elsewhere, Mr. Biden has an opportunity created by the backlash against Chinese policies and "wolf warrior" diplomacy. There are signs that China's push for influence is faltering: the European parliament froze an investment deal following tit-for-tat sanctions over Beijing's treatment of the Uyghurs; Lithuania quit the "17+1" mechanism for dialogue with central and eastern Europe last month; and plans for a Chinese university campus in Hungary are on hold.

NATO leaders this week declared China a security risk, "present[ing] systemic challenges to the rules-based international order." But the on-going differences on handling Beijing are evident. Emmanuel Macron was swift to add that "China has little to do with the North Atlantic" and that it was important "we don't bias our relationship." Similarly, Angela Merkel reportedly expressed concern that the G7 is "not

about being against something, but for something." Strategic instincts as well as commercial interests work against buying into the U.S. agenda wholesale.

Many anticipate that a new German chancellor will turn the country's China policy in a more critical direction. But while the U.S. is right that democratic countries must pull together on important issues, decisions cannot and should not be by American diktat.

European countries are right to be wary of dancing to the U.S. tune – not least because they wonder what kind of leader could be in charge four years from now.

As Mr. Biden has recognized, the U.S.-China competition will be shaped in large part by the performance of the U.S.: how it looks at home, as well as whether projects such as the G7 infrastructure initiative materialize in any significant way. (The G7's failure to reach a better deal on vaccine-sharing does not bode well.) While favorable perceptions of the U.S. and confidence in its president soared after he took office, only 17 percent of those surveyed in 12 countries saw American democracy as a good example for other countries to follow.

America is back, we were told this week. But we are in a multilateral world now, and its position will depend not only on pursuing economic and technical superiority, but healing its politics and society too.

– This editorial was first published in The Guardian.



## Father's Day: A son reminisces

There is something about German father-son relationships that confuse and astound those of different heritages. That relationship appears irretrievably broken to most. Think of the historical examples of King George II and his rebellious son Frederick (George III's father). Or of Ludwig van Beethoven, who could never please his musical father. Or of King Frederick the Great, regularly beaten and even imprisoned by his unreasonable father.

Why do I bring these dysfunctional examples up on Father's Day? Because I am fully German by blood and had a similar relationship with my father. Trust me; it was not what it may have looked like from the outside. There is method to this familial madness.

It seemed I could never do anything right in my dad's eyes. Grades weren't good enough; chores were never done correctly; all my friends were "bad company." He even objected to my choice of a wife, that is until he got to know her and decided he liked her better than me.

I was the oldest so maybe I was just setting a very low bar for my siblings to surpass. I hope they realized that then and I am sure they do now. It was a price that I don't regret paying.

I also was blessed to have two grandfathers and a great-grandfather during the early years of my life. Unfortunately all three passed before I reached teenage, but each played a significant role in my development. My earliest memory is of my maternal grandfather, with

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whom I lived the first year or so of my life while Dad was called back into the Navy for the Korean War. The memory is one of standing at the end of my crib, waiting for Grandpa to get me up. I have no other memory of the first two years of my life except for that one.

Dad was a different grandfather than a father. My children, particularly my son, loved his Papa. We would go to his house after church every Sunday for dinner prepared by my mom. My two youngest siblings were still at home and my kids developed a close relationship with them back then that continues to this day. We had to pack them in the car, crying, when it was time to go home. They didn't want to leave.

Eventually after Mom died and Dad was a widower, the tables were turned and he came to our house after church for Sunday dinner. At least he did until at age 90 or so and he moved into a senior retirement facility which provided a full meal plan. "I can eat there for free," he told my wife in explanation for his absence. "But I don't charge you to eat here," she responded. It was that Depression era mentality which demanded he take advantage of every meal he was paying for in his monthly rent. No matter that someone he loved might take offense. Wasting food was a mortal sin to this farm boy.

Dad's relationship with my wife was great spectator sport. She became matriarch of the family after my mother died fairly young, a rarity in a family of long-lived Germans. She was quite patient with his eccentricities ... most of the time ... but one exchange stands out. He must have pushed her to the limit one day as she told him: "You are acting just like your son!" She didn't mean it as a compliment for either him or me but, in retrospect, I take it as one. In the words of the Harry Chapin song "Cat's in the Cradle": "He'd grown up just like me. My boy was just like me."

So for good or bad, I am my father's son. I guess I am following in a long cultural tradition. Even Frederick the Great, who hated everything about his father, became him once he succeeded to the Prussian throne. It just runs in the blood, I guess.

I wasn't an all-American father to my children, working too many hours and leaving the day-to-day child-raising duties to my wife. I hope, though, that I instilled in them what my father did in me – love of God, country and family and the requisite duties therein. And where I fell short as a father, I am working overtime to make good with my grandchildren ... just like Dad did.

Happy Father's Day, Dad. You made me what I am today, and I am truly thankful for that.

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## Fear makes a poor motivator

When I was just a child, I roamed all over the hills of Eastern Kentucky, sometimes with friends, sometimes alone, recklessly climbing trees, exploring abandoned mines and generally tempting fate to the point of taunting it.

Our family moved to Fort Wayne when I was 12, and I regularly walked the mile from our house to Packard Park and covered even more territory on my bike. My younger brother had similar freedom of movement, and my even younger sister was able to – please don't faint – play out of sight of our mother and father for long stretches of time.

Today, such lax supervision would likely be called neglect or even child endangerment. Even if my siblings and I weren't shuffled off to foster care, our parents surely would get a visit and stern warnings from child services.

Yes, I know why things changed, how fear of the monsters among us turned parents into hovering wrecks, wringing their hands if their children are out of view for even a second. And I certainly don't suggest the world is as safe as it used to be.

But I can't help thinking we've gone so far with our protectiveness that we're robbing our children of the sense of wonder and awe that comes from exploring and discovering.

I noticed the other day that Texas has just become the third state – after Utah and Oklahoma – to pass a "tree-range kids" law to support reasonable childhood independence. As Reason magazine notes, "Parents who live there cannot be investigated for neglect simply for giving their kids some old-fashioned freedom."

My first thought was, how sad that such a law would even be needed. My second was hope that the 47 other states, but especially Indiana, would get on board. Fearful children become fearful adults.

And, heaven knows, we already have more than enough of those.

Another story that caught my eye was about the paralyzing terror some people are apparently experiencing over the arrival of Brood X, the billions of cicadas emerging after 17 years of hibernation underground.

A woman in Ohio has made herself a cicada shield with an umbrella and two shower curtains so she can summon up the courage to go outside. A Virginia man talks admits the anxiety he feels about tasks like mowing the lawn, and a Penn State football player confesses his "emotional trauma" at the "devastating news" from his mother that cicadas are on the way.

Our feelings of fear and disgust, says a university scientist, are "likely part of an evolutionary mechanism to protect us."

But, come on. Yes, the cicadas are noisy and ugly, but the same could be said of a lot of people. It's just about the insect mating dance. They're going to have sex for a few weeks, then die.

Come to think of it, the way the world has been going lately, that doesn't sound so bad to me, either.

For the last word, let's turn to Mitch Daniels, former Indiana governor and current president of Purdue University, and, as is frequently the case, the only adult in the room.

Speaking to the graduating class of 2021, he noted how many of the students' elders have failed a fundamental test of leadership during the COVID-19 pandemic: "They let their understandable human fear of uncertainty overcome their duty to balance all the interests for which they were responsible. They hid behind the advice of experts in one field but ignored the warnings of experts in other realms that they might do harm beyond the good they hoped to accomplish."

Before the virus visited us, he said, "there were already troubling signs that fearfulness was beginning to erode the spirit of adventure, the willingness to take considered risks, on which this nation's greatness was built and from which all progress originates. Rates of business startups, moving in pursuit of a better job, or the strongest of all bets on the future, having children, all have fallen sharply in recent years. And now there are warnings that the year 2020 may have weakened that spirit further."

Telling students that "certainty is an illusion" and "perfect safety is a mirage," he urged them to "weigh alternatives, balance priorities, assess relative risks" and have "the courage to act on the conclusions you reach."

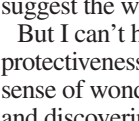
He closed with advice all graduating seniors need to hear, at least the ones who want to live as free-range adults:

"Take that readiness into a fearful, timid world crying for direction and boldness, where the biggest risk of all is that we stop taking risks at all."

Amen.

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## HISTORY

Today is Saturday, June 19, the 170th day of 2021. There are 195 days left in the year.

**Highlight in history:**  
On June 19, 1865, Union troops arrived in Galveston, Texas, with news that the Civil War was over, and that all remaining slaves in Texas were free – an event celebrated to this day as "Juneteenth."

**On this date:**  
In 1775, George Washington was commissioned by the Continental Congress as commander in chief of the Continental Army.  
In 1911, Pennsylvania became the first state to establish a motion picture censorship board.  
In 1917, during World War I, King George V ordered the British royal family to dispense with German titles and surnames; the family took the name "Windor."  
In 1944, during World War II, the two-day Battle of the Philippine Sea began, resulting in a decisive victory for the Americans over the Japanese.  
In 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was approved by the U.S. Senate, 73-27, after surviving a lengthy filibuster.



# Lifestyles

## Keep it simple with three-ingredient asparagus wraps

If you're looking for a too-easy-to-believe appetizer, then this recipe is for you. It requires a mere three ingredients and just minutes to prepare. The asparagus are easily assembled in advance and ready to pop into the oven or on the grill

**Lynda Balslev**



when you are ready to serve. They make a great appetizer to pass around while the rest of your meal is cooking and require only your fingers for eating. Yet, as simple as this recipe is, there are also a few (simple) tips to ensure success.

To trim asparagus, snap the ends off first. The ends will easily break off when you bend the base of the asparagus. These are the woody bits that are difficult to chew. You can then neatly trim the stalks with a paring knife.

While you can certainly splurge and use luscious, supple prosciutto di Parma or prosciutto di San Daniele, feel free to substitute a less expensive prosciutto-to-style ham. Since the key to these asparagus is to slightly dry out and crisp the prosciutto while roasting, the nuance of the finer ham may be lost (along with the extra pennies you spent on it).

Choose asparagus of equal thickness to ensure even cooking time. Avoid thin asparagus, since they will cook very quickly, losing their color and firmness before the prosciutto is crisp. Medium-thick stalks are best. Once cooked, the asparagus should be tender but still firm and not limp.

Three ingredients are all you need ... or four or five. I prefer to simply wrap the ham around the asparagus with just a light brush of



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olive oil. The saltiness of the ham will be amplified when cooked, which provides all the seasoning you need for these bites. However, if you want to get a little more fancy, you can also add a sprinkle of Parmesan and lemon zest for extra bling and flavor.

**Prosciutto-Wrapped Asparagus**  
**Active time: 15 minutes**  
**Total time: 25 to 30 minutes**  
**Yield: Makes 12; serves 3 to 4 as an appetizer**  
**12 medium-thick asparagus spears, about 1 pound**

**2 ounces prosciutto (at least 6 slices), halved lengthwise**  
**Finely grated Parmesan cheese (optional)**  
**Extra-virgin olive oil**  
**Finely grated lemon zest (optional)**  
Heat the oven to 400 degrees or prepare a grill for indirect cooking over medium heat.  
Snap off the tough, woody ends of the asparagus and neatly trim the stalks with a knife.  
Place a piece of prosciutto on a work surface. If using Parmesan, lightly sprinkle the ham with the

cheese. Arrange a spear at the base of the prosciutto and tightly wrap the ham up around the spear on the diagonal. Place on a rimmed baking sheet lined with parchment or on a grill pan and repeat with the remaining asparagus. Lightly brush the asparagus with oil.  
Cook until the asparagus are tender, but still firm, bright green in color, and the ham begins to dry and crisp, 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from the oven or grill and garnish with lemon zest or additional cheese, if desired. Serve warm.

## Chicago couple's giant Pride paintbrush draws crowds

By **RAQUEL ZALDIVAR**  
Chicago Tribune (TNS)

CHICAGO — Nicholas Vazquez and Jesse Campbell wanted to do something big for Pride Month. They didn't expect to go viral.  
In the days since their giant, rainbow-streaming paintbrush began to draw crowds in front of their home, the couple is channeling the attention into raising money to help LGBTQ kids and young adults.  
Vazquez and Campbell wanted to provide a special Pride experience for their 16-month-old son, Rocco, but had no idea the decoration would resonate with so many others.

"It started to feel really special, and people were coming up to us and telling me how wonderful and great this makes them feel," Vazquez said. "This is a time when we really need something like this."  
The couple assembled the setup Thursday, and by Saturday, someone had posted a photo in an Andersonville neighborhood Facebook group. Since then, people have continued to stop by, sometimes forming a line out front, waiting to take photos with the decor. Vazquez, 45, said one couple drove 45 minutes to see the display.  
Vazquez, who works as a business operations manager at a credit counseling firm, also said there have been moments when he's sitting inside with the window open and he's heard



Raquel Zaldivar / TNS

A quote that says "Don't be afraid to show off your true colors" is part of the display at the home of Nicholas Vazquez and his partner Jesse Campbell.

families starting conversations around their display.  
"Kids are kids, and they start asking questions," he said. "I can hear them, and the parents are taking the time and explaining (Pride) to them and what this means and the colors and how this makes people feel."  
The idea for the display started with a quote: "Don't be afraid to show off your true colors."  
Campbell, 41, who is an interior designer, said the quote reminded him of a paintbrush with many colors on it and thought, "Let me incorporate that into the design."  
He made a paintbrush out

of Styrofoam, which they installed on the roof. They hung fabric in the various rainbow colors — red, orange, yellow, green, blue and violet — down from the brush and over the entrance to their porch. The quote is displayed on the steps of their home, and Vazquez painted a path that goes over the sidewalk and to the street in the same six colors.  
After having so many people come by taking photos of and with the rainbow display, the couple decided to start a fundraiser for the Trevor Project, a national organization that provides crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to

LGBTQ youth.  
"For us, it's become a way to give back to the community, and a friend of (Vazquez's) suggested that we ask for donations to a cause," Campbell said. "There are a lot of places not as diverse as Chicago where the kids really need (the Trevor Project)."  
Their fundraiser went live Monday, and so far has raised more than \$1,900 of its \$10,000 goal.  
The couple plan to keep the decor up through the end of the month, but said they would consider putting it back up for this year's Chicago Pride Parade, which is scheduled for Oct. 3.

## IRS' child tax credit tool hard to use, groups say

The IRS will start sending out monthly child tax credit payments next month to parents, grandparents and other guardians caring for children 17 and under. This is the centerpiece of President Joe Biden's anti-poverty agenda.  
It would have been good if the agency had kept people like Willard McGruder in mind when they came up with their digital plans to reach some of the people who need the money the most — low-income Americans who earn too little to file an annual tax return.  
McGruder is still waiting on the last two stimulus payments for the grandchildren in his care, a check worth \$4,000 from the IRS that he should have received several months ago. The delay indicates the difficulties of getting pandemic relief money to the people most in need, and it's not clear whether the IRS has overcome that obstacle with its new online tool, which works on desktops and laptops but is not mobile-friendly.  
The payments starting in July were approved under the American Rescue Plan, which included a measure expanding the child tax credit for the 2021 tax year to a fully refundable \$3,600 for children 5 and younger and \$3,000 for those ages 6 to 17.  
McGruder would be eligible for monthly payments of \$300 for 2-year-old Rahine and \$250 for his other grandson, Keshawn, 8. The retiree said he needs a bedroom set for Keshawn. He's trying to catch up on a utility bill. "The money would be a help," he said. "I'd be grateful."

**Michelle Singletary**



This week, the IRS launched an updated version of the online non-filer tool it used last year to help people claim stimulus payments. The tool is now enabled to help non-filers register for the advance child tax credit payments. It was developed in partnership with Intuit and is specifically designed to target families who don't normally file tax returns.  
Eligible families who already filed or plan to file 2019 or 2020 federal returns, or who used the non-filer tool last year, should not use this tool.  
Instead, the IRS says, the tool was built to provide an easy way for eligible people who earn too little, and thus do not have to file an income-tax return, to give the agency the basic information required to issue the monthly advance child tax credit payments.  
Except, the tool is anything but easy, said Jennifer Burdick, supervising attorney with Community Legal Services of Philadelphia, and Melanie Malherbe, a managing attorney at Greater Boston Legal Services.  
Although they praised the IRS for developing the online non-filer tool, they argued that the portal probably won't be accessible to many people who most need the monthly child tax credit payments. This is, after all, supposed to be the Biden administration's big social-safety-net initiative — and is projected to cut child poverty in half.  
"I am disappointed that the IRS did not learn any lessons from the problems with the non-filer's portal last year," Burdick said. "This portal is still not mobile-friendly. And I think that's a huge access point. It's still only in English."  
I asked Intuit whether the tool could be used on a mobile device.  
"Users are able to register for the monthly Advance Child Tax Credit payments through their browser on their computer or mobile device," the company said in an email.  
But in an FAQ, the IRS explicitly said, "no" to using the non-filer tool on a phone. "We recommend using the product on a laptop or desktop computer instead," the agency writes.  
When setting up an account, people have to provide an email address. But many potential users don't have one and thus are shut out of using the tool, Burdick and Malherbe pointed out.  
"There is a digital divide," Burdick said. "Many low-income people do not have access to laptops or Wi-Fi. Smartphones are the most pervasive way that people connect to the Internet. The whole point of this portal is to make filing as accessible as possible, so I'm a little bit baffled that this very large step wasn't taken."

Malherbe also worries that many people won't be able to use the portal.  
"The estimates of getting children out of poverty are premised on access," Malherbe said. "The instructions on the portal are very densely and confusingly written. It's the opposite of simple."  
Malherbe said many non-filers need direct human interaction with people who know enough to be able to translate the information about what the IRS requires.  
"The chances of the IRS having done it well were probably slim, but this is even worse than I imagined," she said.  
Malherbe said her organization will probably end up helping people just file a return.  
"On our end, that's actually easier to do than using a tool like this," she said. "It would be helpful if the IRS would acknowledge the resources needed to make this accessible."  
The challenges could result in significant delays for families receiving the monthly child tax credit payments, she said.  
Nina Olson, who served as the independent national taxpayer advocate for 18 years, says she's "profoundly" disappointed in the updated version of the non-filer portal.  
"We know a lot about this population," said Olson, now the executive director of the Center for Taxpayer Rights. "They don't necessarily have laptops. They may be disabled. They may have functional literacy challenges. There has to be another way to assist these people with perhaps a phone-based system."  
In response to the criticism, the IRS said in an emailed statement: "The work on this was accelerated to make it available as quickly as possible leveraging pre-existing programming. However, we will work with our partner groups to help ensure there is wide access to this important new tool."  
In fairness to the IRS, sending monthly child tax credit payments is a heavy lift for an already beleaguered agency. Still, in this next step to assist an economically vulnerable population, the agency has to step up its game.  
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required through the Children’s Room or the library’s online calendar. The WCPL Storywalk – located on Huntington Street at Paradise Springs Park – provides an outdoor space where several of the Wednesday morning programs will take place, along with the introduction of Adult Storytime from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. Tuesday, June 29. No registration is required and participants are encouraged to bring their lunch to the pavilion. A book discussion will also take place for adults at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 28. Registration and further details are available at the library’s online calendar.

Manchester Civic Band plans live performances

Manchester Civic Band performances at Peabody Retirement Community have been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, June 23, Sept. 22 and Dec. 1. This year’s Timbercrest Retirement Community performances have been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, June 30, Sept. 29 and Dec. 8. They have tentatively scheduled performances for 5:30 p.m. Saturday, June 26 for alumni at Pierceton Elementary School, this year’s Independence Day celebration at Manchester University; Saturday, July 31 at the North Manchester Summerfest parade; and Saturday, Oct. 2 for a concert at Harvest Fest. In addition, performances have also been tentatively scheduled for the North Manchester Fun Fest parade and at Doud’s Orchard Open House in Denver, Indiana.

Honeywell announces 2021 Summer Plaza Music Series

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment’s Summer Plaza Music Series is returning to the Honeywell Center Carpenter Plaza, featuring performing groups from 5 to 7 p.m. every Thursday through July 1. This year’s line-up includes Sparrow 5 on Thursday, June 24; and Mississinewa Valley Swing Band on Thursday, July 1 The Summer Plaza Music Series is free and open to the public. Food from the Plaza Grille will be available during all performances, including burgers, hot dogs, nachos and cheese, and more. In the case of inclement weather, performances will be canceled. For

more information, visit HoneywellArts.org/plaza.

Second Harvest to hold a tailgate food distribution

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned tailgate food distributions for 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 23 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15. For more information, visit www.curehunger.org, classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182 or https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410.

NMPL plans summer reading events

North Manchester Public Library (NMPL) summer reading events have been planned, including Chillz Event: From 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 30; NMPL Pool Party: From noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 7; Activities at the North Manchester Farmers’ Market: From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 17; Slime Spectacular on the NMPL lawn: From 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 21; and Little Book Shop on Market Street: From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, July 30; and Saturday, July 31. For more information, visit www.nman.lib.in.us.

Downtown Wabash Shop Hop continues throughout June

Shop Hop has returned to downtown Wabash through Wednesday, June 30 and includes a chance to win a prize of \$100 in Shop Hop Dollars, which are redeemable at the participating businesses. Participants will take a June Shop Hop form to each participating business and receive a validation mark, no purchase necessary. Once the Shop Hop form is 100 percent completed, participants will submit their form to one of the participating businesses or Bickford of Wabash, 3037 W. Division Road. June Shop Hop forms must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday, June 30 for a chance to win. The winner will be selected in early July. The four downtown businesses participating in June’s Shop Hop include Modoc’s Market, 205 S. Miami St.; JoJo’s Ol’Factory & Co., 36 W. Canal St.; Wooden Ivy Boutique & Floral, 12 W. Market St.; and Eclectic Shoppe, 42 W. Canal St. Entry forms are available at each of the participating businesses and a digital copy of the form is available at WabashMarketplace.org.

Project Learning Tree Workshop to be held

Educators are invited to participate in a Project Learning Tree (PLT) K-8 workshop from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, July 9 at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive and Nature Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. The workshop fee of \$23 includes a copy of the guide. The fee is payable by check (made out to IFEF/PLT) or cash, payable on the day of the workshop. Bring a sack lunch. Beverages will be provided. Advance registration is required with a deadline of Friday, July 2. Limited space is available. For more information, call 260-468-2127 or email trody@dnr.in.gov.

Salamonie to hold Summer Forest Camp

Salamonie Lake will be hosting “a unique outdoor day camp” from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday, June 28 to Friday, July 2 at Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Children ages 7 to 13 are welcome. Limited space is available. The cost per child is \$60 and \$55 for each additional sibling. For more information and registration, call 260-468-2127.

Salamonie Senior Luncheon planned for Monday, July 5

The monthly Salamonie Senior Luncheon will be held at noon Monday, July 5, at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Anyone age 50 or older is welcome to attend. Join Huntington County Purdue Extension educator Caroline Everidge, as she gives tips and tricks on “Safety from Scams.” The program begins with a carry-in meal at noon. Guests should bring a side dish to share, a beverage and their table service. The main dish is provided by Friends of the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services. A \$1 donation will be accepted to help defray costs. Seating is limited. Reservations may be made by calling 260-468-2127.

MSD Summer Food Program to provide free breakfasts, lunches

The MSD Summer Food Program will provide weekly meals free of charge for children ages 1 through 18 throughout the MSD area. Throughout the summer, families may pick up five

day’s worth of breakfasts and lunches for each child in their household that meets the age criteria from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays through July 28 at Northfield High School, 154 W. 200 North, and Southwood High School on the east side of the building, 564 Indiana 124.

YMCA to offer summer meals

The Wabash County YMCA announced their free breakfast and lunch program for children ages 18 and under will be from 8 to 9 a.m. for breakfast and 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for lunch Mondays through Fridays, through Friday, Aug. 6, at 500 S. Cass St. For more information, visit www.wabashcountymca.org or email info@wabashcountymca.org.

‘Liking for Biking’ returns

Through Saturday, Aug. 28, anyone of any age or skill level who is interested in a free, family-friendly hour-long bike ride is invited to meet at 8:45 a.m. each Saturday at Paradise Spring Historical Park’s upper pavilion, 351 W. Market St. Helmets are required. The next health assessment will take place at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 28 inside of door 10 at Parkview Wabash Hospital, 10 John Kissinger Drive, while the rest of the rides will start at Paradise Spring Historical Park with wheels rolling at 9 a.m. Masks are required inside Parkview Wabash Hospital for health assessments. For more information, www.visitwabashcounty.com/adventure-series or call 260-563-7171.

Downtown Wabash Farmers’ Market running every Saturday

The Downtown Wabash Farmers’ Market continues its 2021 season from 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays through Saturday, Sept. 26

in the Honeywell Center/Wabash Elks parking lot on the corner of Cass and Market St. Vendors are still being accepted for full-season, half-season and one-time rates. To become a vendor for the 2021 Market, visit WabashMarketplace.org/farmers-market or call 260-563-0975. For more information about Downtown Wabash Farmers’ Market, visit WabashMarketplace.org/farmers-market.

Honeywell Ladies Golf Association season continues

The Tuesday Honeywell Ladies Golf Association (LGA) will begin their season with a 9 a.m. shotgun Tuesdays, according to Lana Garber. The yearly dues of \$15 will be taken then. New members are welcome. Arrive at 8:30 a.m. All Tuesday events are scrambles. Register in the clubhouse by noon Monday.

Honeywell Pool to open on a limited basis

Wabash Parks Department superintendent Adam Hall said the plan for the Mark C. Honeywell Pool was for the pool to be open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays each week. Hall said he would make the final call based on how many lifeguards are available. For more information, visit www.wabashcountymca.org.

‘Explore Salamonie’ hikes to be held monthly

Join Upper Wabash Interpretive Services for an “Explore Salamonie” hike at 5 p.m. during each month’s first Saturday through September at Salamonie’s Interpretive and Nature Center at 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Wear appropriate footwear, clothing and bring along your water bottle, sunscreen and bug spray. A set of binoculars or camera may come in handy. Each hike is open to the public and geared for families. Each hike will

last approximately 45 minutes to an hour. Registration is requested by calling 260-468-2127. Property entrance fees of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle apply. State Park Annual Entrance Passes are available for purchase.

DivorceCare meets Tuesdays

DivorceCare, a 13-week DVD series sponsored by Wabash Friends Counseling Center, features some of the nation’s foremost Christian experts on topics concerning divorce and recovery, according to group leader Janet Quillen. The support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the Conference Room in the Wabash Friends Counseling Center, 3563 South State Road 13. Wearing a mask is required when entering. Quillen and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812 S. Wabash St., on State Road 15. For more information, call 260-563-8453, 877-350-1658, email office@wabashfriends.org, call 260-571-5235 or visit www.divorcecare.org.

Wabash County Animal Shelter partnership to pair emerging readers with dogs, cats

The local Literacy for Companionship program will be held on the third Thursday of each month at the Wabash County Animal Shelter, 810 Manchester Ave. The time will be split into 30-minute shifts from 4 to 6 p.m., with four children scheduled per session. There is no cost for the program and the parents or guardians will be with the children at all times. For more information, call 260-563-3511.

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Young professional can't escape dating gossip

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm a girl of 23 who has never had a boyfriend. Now that I finished college and am a journalist, I have met some guys, mostly from high school and places like that. One of them, who went to my middle school, recently asked me on a date. Another one from high school asked me out, too, in the same week. (Neither one ever talked to me in the respective schools.) Even if I wanted to go out, I'm a little nervous because I've never been on a date. What do you think I have to do? I know I shouldn't care about what my family and friends say, but they are gossips. – Feeling Weird In Mexico

**DEAR FEELING WEIRD:** I'm glad you wrote. You do not have to do anything except calm down and get to know who these guys are. You should not rush into ANYthing. Romances evolve from friendships, and friendships take time and effort. Hang on to your sense of humor, and remember: You are at the beginning of an interesting career and life journey. Stop worrying about the gossips, and take advantage of the opportunities that are opening up for you.

**DEAR ABBY:** My mother and her companion recently moved to be closer to me (20 minutes away). The problem is I don't really care for her companion, and he is always around my mom. He comes over to my house when she does, plops himself in our den and turns on the TV – LOUD. (We always close the door because he needs a hearing aid.)

We now need to replace the reclining chairs in the den. He weighs more than 300 pounds, and I can't find a loveseat or chairs that can accommodate his weight. He won't allow Mom to drive herself over here. What can I do? I would like comfortable seating in my den, but I don't want furniture that will break the first time he sits on it. – Imposed Upon In The South

**DEAR IMPOSED UPON:** You are under no obligation to buy furniture to accommodate someone you “don't particularly like.” Tell your mother YOU will provide the transportation when she wants to visit you. (Her companion can pick her up when she's ready to go home, or you can take her.) Problem solved.

**DEAR ABBY:** When six of us women got together for lunch, one gal brought copies of her mother's newly published book of poetry. The book was \$20. After describing the book and her mother, she offered one to each of us to PURCHASE! We're not poor, but I thought she showed poor taste by pushing this book on us. We all bought one because we felt obligated. What's your opinion about what she did? What would have been a tactful way to refuse? – Dumbstruck

**DEAR DUMBSTRUCK:** You could have thanked the woman for offering the book, told her you are sure it was “wonderful” and refused by saying, “But I'm just not into poetry!”

*Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at [www.DearAbby.com](http://www.DearAbby.com) or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.*

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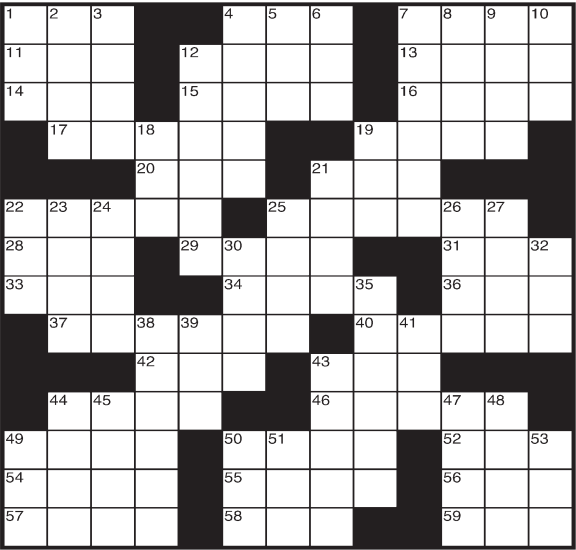
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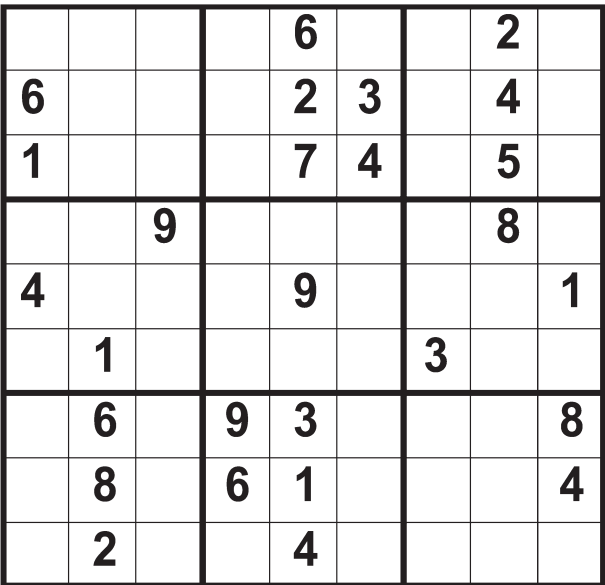
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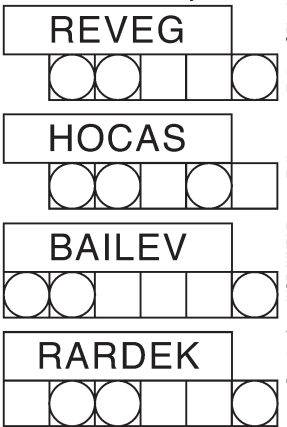
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



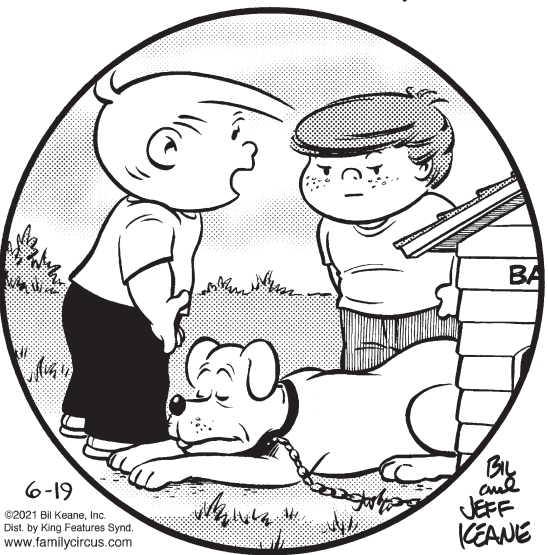
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(Answers Monday)

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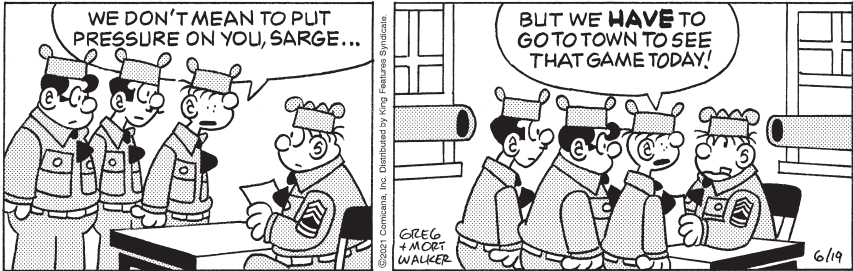
THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



“He's a good watchdog — when he's awake.”

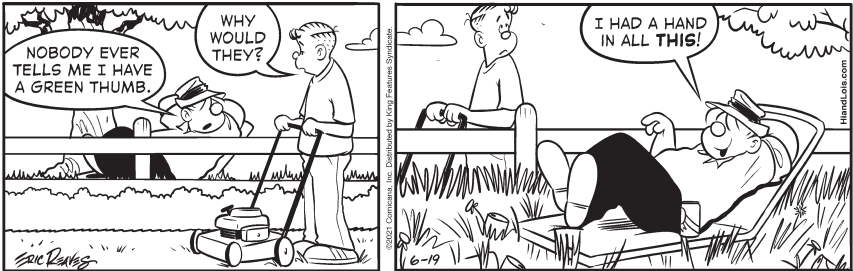
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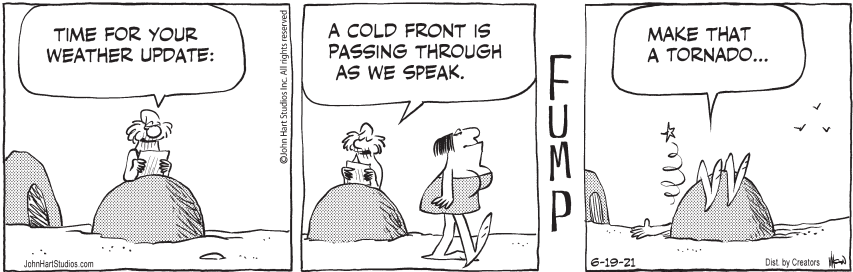
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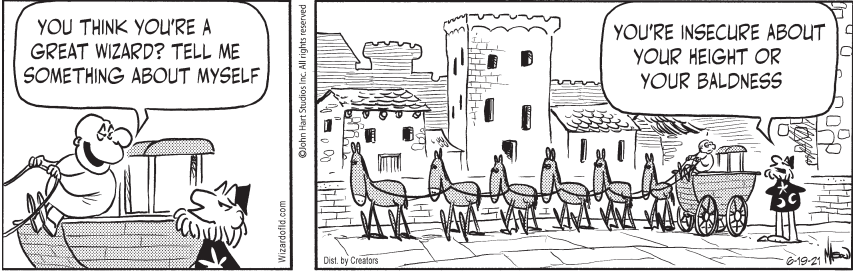
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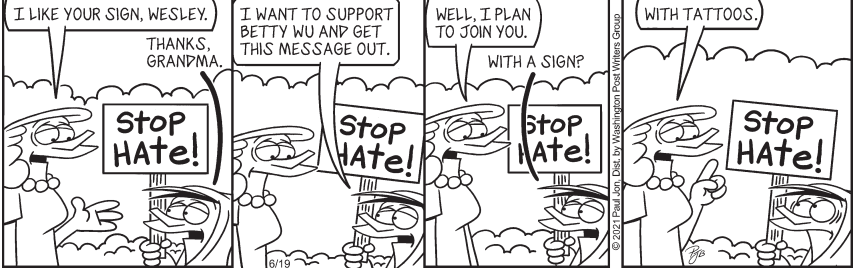
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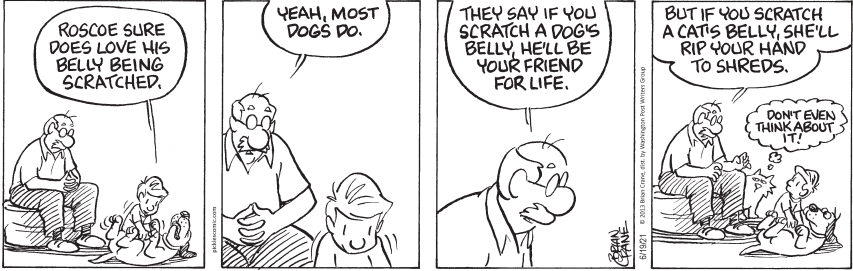
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PICKLES



Christ did not offer us a choice of faith or works

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

**Q:** Is it more important to have faith or do works in service to God? – F.W.

**A:** There is always debate about the doctrines of faith and works — and which should come first. Which carries the most weight with God?

Jesus Christ did not offer us a choice of faith or works. The Scripture teaches that works without faith have no meaning to God, because we cannot work our way to Heaven. Those who seek to testify of what they think is their goodness often talk about paying their taxes on time, never defrauding anyone, being faithful to their spouse, and giving to charity. But God is clear that our righteousness is like a filthy

rag. There is nothing we can do to measure up to God's standard.

Once we are saved, however, God expects us — in fact, He commands us — to not be hearers of the Word only, but doers as well. Works, when we are in Christ, are an extension of Christ's ministry. In fact, works are not ends in themselves, but they demonstrate God's love toward others so that they will know God loves them, and so that they will desire to learn about God's provision for every need.

The Bible says a man in a ditch is not helped if we pass by him, wish him well, and tell him of God's love. No, God's love is demonstrated by attending to the man's physical needs and helping him out of the ditch. This is how people learn that the Father has sent the Son. “Fulfill all the good pleasure of His goodness and the work of faith with power” (2 Thessalonians 1:11).

Works must never replace faith and the sharing of the Gospel, but they are a natural extension of faith.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“(THLSUFNZ) FSC SIXSHC BZDRVONO  
TN SCSLN BISWN UD ISYO SYO S  
FSZO BISWN LZDT XFWWF UD ISEYWF.”  
— WFNICNS WIVYUDY

Previous Solution: “I learned how much determination I have, and that no matter what the score is, anyone can come back.” — Bianca Andreescu

TODAY'S CLUE: A gentle R



# White's RFS hosts 11th Annual 'Teeing Up for Teens' Golf Outing



Provided photo

The event raised a total of over \$18,000, just shy of their \$19,000 goal.

## This was their largest outing to date, with 79 golfers participating

### STAFF REPORT

On Monday, June 14, 2021, White's Residential and Family Services (RFS) hosted their 11th Annual "Teeing Up for Teens" Golf Outing at Etna Acres in Andrews, according to communications specialist Becca Andrews.

This was their largest outing to date, with 79 golfers participating.

"The purpose of the event was to raise funds to renovate a blacktop basketball court used by residential students into a more durable sports court that will be safer, require less

maintenance and last longer," said Andrews.

The event raised a total of over \$18,000, just shy of their \$19,000 goal.

"They anticipate exceeding their goal by the end of the week through additional donations that come in," said Andrews.

Several students from White's RFS residential treatment program participated in the event by passing out water to players to keep them hydrated throughout the morning. In addition to having students on the golf course, Chuck Gaither, former White's RFS

Athletic Director and Track Coach, and Elix Brewer, member of the White's RFS 1973 IHSA State Finals Mile Relay championship team, were also present.

"What a huge blessing this event has been for White's RFS," said director of donor relations Dana Brady. "We were thrilled to have our biggest turnout yet. White's RFS is so very grateful for the support, in action as well as gifts, provided by our community, in Wabash and surrounding areas."

Andrews said White's RFS was thankful to the following business-

es, organizations and individuals for sponsoring this event: Beacon Credit Union, Bill and Carole Konyha, Brandt's Harley Davidson, CFC Distributors, Central Indiana Ethanol, Denton Cartage Co., Eads & Son Bulldozing, Enterprise Fleet Management, First Farmers Bank & Trust, Gaylor Electric, Grow Wabash County, The Guardian Long Range Competition, Halderman Real Estate & Farm Management, Intraset Technologies, Master Spas, Michael Kinder & Sons, Shepherd's Family Auto Group, Van Contracting and Wabash Valley Chrysler.

## Top medical adviser says 'no fans' safest choice for Olympics

By **STEPHEN WADE** and **MARI YAMAGUCHI**  
Associated Press

TOKYO — The safest way to hold the Tokyo Olympics is without any fans, the top medical adviser to the Japanese government said in a report on Friday.

Dr. Shigeru Omi's recommendation seems to put him at odds with organizers and the International Olympic Committee with the Olympics opening in just five weeks on July 23. Fans from abroad were banned several months ago, and organizers are to announce early next week if some local fans should be allowed.

"We believe the risks of infections inside venues would be lowest by holding the event with no fans," said the report, which was compiled by a group of 26 experts led by Omi, a former World Health Organization official. It was submitted to the government and Olympic officials

Widely circulated reports say the government wants to allow up to 10,000 people at some sports and cultural events. This policy is expected to be applied to the Olympics with smaller ceilings at smaller venues, and differences for indoor and outdoor venues.

"We believe it would be most desirable not to have fans inside venues," Omi told a news conference on Friday after submitting the written report. "Regardless of holding the Olympics or not, Japan has continuing risks of a resurgence of the infections that puts pressure on the medical systems."

Omi said that putting fans in the venues increased the risk — and not only there but afterward as people exit. He said the Olympics easily get more attention from the public than other sporting events and are likely to trigger more movements and more partying.

Ticket sales were to account for \$800 million in income for the organizing committee. Much of it will be lost and government entities will have to make up the shortfall.

# Gordon returns to racing roots by promoting Indy's dirt race

By **MICHAEL MAROT**  
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Just a few miles from the home where he spent his teenage years, Jeff Gordon strapped himself into a midget car, was pushed onto the 1/4-mile dirt track in the third turn at Indianapolis Motor Speedway and started turning laps.

He felt like a kid again. "I did this 30 years ago and it's hard to believe it's been that long and to get back in there, it felt unreal," he said Thursday. "Now I want more water on the track, I want to go fast. It's just such a cool car, it takes me back to the time when I was racing midgets and how much I loved them. To be able to slide these cars around and maneuver them on these little bull rings, that was way overdue."

Clearly, the 48-year-old, four-time NASCAR Cup Series champion remains passionate about racing even if he is sporting a new look. The winner of a record five Brickyard 400s arrived this time in a red, white and blue fire suit and graying temples while driving a No. 4 car, a throwback to his USAC midget championship days.

This was never about rumors Gordon might leave the broadcast booth, the possibility of another comeback or even the desire of IndyCar



Michelle Pemberton / IndyStar / TNS

Five-time Brickyard 400 winner Jeff Gordon, left, chats with Tim Clauson of Clauson-Marshall Racing, and J. Douglas Boles, president of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Corporation, after taking exhibition laps on Thursday at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway dirt track.

fans to see Gordon run in the Indianapolis 500.

Instead, Gordon came back to promote this year's BC39 card, scheduled for Aug. 18-19.

The two-day event is named in honor of Bryan Clauson, a dirt track specialist who died at 27 from injuries sustained in a midget car crash in Kansas in August 2016. It's sponsored by Driven2Save Lives, an Indiana group that promotes organ donation.

"I just think instead of the Brickyard being on the oval, the road course, I think they should just bring it over here.

I might even come back for that," Gordon joked. "This whole thing is for a great cause, for Bryan Clauson and his memory and being an organ donor and truly saving lives."

Gordon posed for photos with speedway employees and his mother, speedway president Doug Boles and Clauson's father, Tim. Then a small tractor pushed Gordon onto the track and with an assist from a pickup truck, he took his first dirt-track laps in almost 25 years.

It didn't Gordon long to rev up the engines and sending

dirt chunks flying toward the concrete wall inside the track he dreamed about as a teen. And this time, he was simply having the time of his life.

"I've not had many bad days in Indianapolis, but this is going to go towards the top," he said. "From my first time racing here, the Brickyard 400, of course the wins are memorable and the F1 swap and then this right up there with them. I'm so thankful to Doug Boles and Tim Clauson for talking me into doing this. I've put it off for way too long. That was the most fun I've had in a long time."

## Commissioners dig into CFP expansion plan

By **RALPH D. RUSSO**  
AP College Football Writer

ROSEMONT, Ill. — College Football Playoff expansion took another step forward as the full group of commissioners who manage the postseason system spent about six hours over two days digging into a proposed plan for a 12-team format.

"This is the beginning of a long, on-going process," Big 12 Commissioner Bob Bowlsby said Friday as he departed Big Ten headquarters. "It's going to be months before we come to any closure on any of this."

There is no announced timeline and the earliest expansion would be possible is likely 2023 if there are no big snags.

Last week, the CFP unveiled a plan to expand from four to 12 teams. Six spots would be reserved for the highest-ranked

conference champions and the other six would be at-large spots. The plan calls for first-round games played on campuses and quarterfinal and semifinal games played in bowls.

The detailed proposal was developed over two years by four members of the CFP management committee: Bowlsby, Southeastern Conference Commissioner Greg Sankey, Notre Dame athletic director Jack Swarbrick and Mountain West Commissioner Craig Thompson.

"You can imagine how many pages of notes I have on two years of work. That's what we're trying to bring everybody else up to speed with," Bowlsby said.

This week's meeting was the first chance for the entire 11-person management committee to discuss the proposal in person. The other members include the commissioners of the Big Ten, Pac-12, Atlantic Coast Conference, Amer-

ican Athletic Conference, Conference USA, Sun Belt and Mid-American Conference.

"Four people of us were at one place. Now I think we have 11 of us at that place," Bowlsby said. "Now, we move to talk to the presidents and see if we can get them at that place."

Next week, the group reconvenes in Dallas to present the plan to the CFP's Board of Managers, the university presidents who have final say on what would be a momentous change in college football, with financial ramifications for bowls and conferences alike.

"This is an enormous undertaking with dozens and dozens of moving parts and it's not going to be a rapid process," Bowlsby said. "This is going to be at least fall before we have the necessary conversations and possess the necessary information to make decisions."

## SCOREBOARD

### MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE					
East Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Tampa Bay	43	27	.614	—	
Boston	42	27	.609	½	
New York	36	32	.529	6	
Toronto	33	34	.493	8½	
Baltimore	22	46	.324	20	

Central Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	43	26	.623	—	
Cleveland	38	28	.576	3½	
Kansas City	30	37	.448	12	
Detroit	29	40	.420	14	
Minnesota	27	41	.397	15½	

West Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Oakland	43	27	.614	—	
Houston	40	28	.588	2	
Seattle	35	36	.493	8½	
Los Angeles	34	35	.493	8½	
Texas	25	43	.368	17	

**Thursday's Games**  
Cleveland 10, Baltimore 3  
N.Y. Yankees 8, Toronto 4  
Houston 10, Chicago White Sox 2  
L.A. Angels 7, Detroit 5  
Seattle 6, Tampa Bay 5

**Saturday's Games**  
Oakland (Bassitt 7-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Germán 4-4), 1:05 p.m.  
Cleveland (Quantrill 0-2) at Pittsburgh (Crowe 0-4), 4:05 p.m.  
Minnesota (TBD) at Texas (Allard 2-2), 4:05 p.m.  
Toronto (Manoah 1-0) at Baltimore (Kremer 0-6), 4:05 p.m.  
Boston (Pérez 4-4) at Kansas City (Bubic 1-2), 4:10 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox (Lynn 7-2) at Houston (Valdez 3-0), 7:15 p.m.  
Detroit (Peralta 0-0) at L.A. Angels (Sandoval 1-2), 10:07 p.m.  
Tampa Bay (Fleming 6-4) at Seattle (Gilbert 2-2), 10:10 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**  
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 1:05 p.m.  
Oakland at N.Y. Yankees, 1:05 p.m.  
Toronto at Baltimore, 1:05 p.m.  
Boston at Kansas City, 2:10 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox at Houston, 2:10 p.m.  
Minnesota at Texas, 2:35 p.m.  
Detroit at L.A. Angels, 4:07 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Seattle, 4:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE					
East Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
New York	35	26	.574	—	
Philadelphia	33	33	.500	4½	
Atlanta	31	35	.470	6½	
Washington	30	35	.462	7	
Miami	29	39	.426	9½	

Central Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	39	30	.565	—	
Milwaukee	38	31	.551	1	
Cincinnati	35	32	.522	3	
St. Louis	35	34	.507	4	
Pittsburgh	23	44	.343	15	

West Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
San Francisco	44	25	.638	—	
Los Angeles	41	27	.603	2½	
San Diego	39	32	.549	6	
Colorado	29	41	.414	15½	
Arizona	20	50	.286	24½	

**Thursday's Games**  
San Francisco 10, Arizona 3  
Chicago Cubs 2, N.Y. Mets 0  
Atlanta 4, St. Louis 0  
San Diego 6, Cincinnati 4  
Colorado 7, Milwaukee 3

**Saturday's Games**  
N.Y. Mets (Peterson 2-5) at Washington (Lester 0-2), 1:05 p.m., 1st game  
Miami (López 2-4) at Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 5-7), 2:20 p.m.  
Cleveland (Quantrill 0-2) at Pittsburgh (Crowe 0-4), 4:05 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Nola 5-4) at San Francisco (Wood 6-3), 4:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets (TBD) at Washington (TBD), 6:05 p.m., 2nd game  
Cincinnati (Gutierrez 3-1) at San Diego (Lamet 1-2), 7:15 p.m.  
St. Louis (Wainwright 4-5) at Atlanta (Smoly 3-3), 7:15 p.m.  
Milwaukee (Houser 4-5) at Colorado (Gomber 6-5), 9:10 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (Buehler 6-0) at Arizona (Peacock 2-4), 10:10 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**  
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 1:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets at Washington, 1:05 p.m.  
Miami at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.  
Milwaukee at Colorado, 3:10 p.m.  
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.  
Cincinnati at San Diego, 4:10 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers at Arizona, 4:10 p.m.  
St. Louis at Atlanta, 7:08 p.m.

### NHL

#### CONFERENCE FINALS (Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

**Wednesday, June 16**  
Montreal 3, Vegas 2, series tied 1 – 1

**Thursday, June 17**  
Tampa Bay 2, N.Y. Islanders 1, Tampa Bay leads series 2 – 1

**Friday, June 18**  
Vegas at Montreal

**Saturday, June 19**  
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Islanders, 8 p.m.

**Sunday, June 20**  
Vegas at Montreal, 8 p.m.

**Monday, June 21**  
N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.

**Tuesday, June 22**  
Montreal at Vegas, 9 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 23**  
x-Tampa Bay at N.Y. Islanders, TBA

**Thursday, June 24**  
x-Vegas at Montreal, TBA

**Friday, June 25**  
x-N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay, TBA

**Saturday, June 26**  
x-Montreal at Vegas, TBA

### NBA

#### SECOND ROUND (Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

**Wednesday, June 16**  
Atlanta 109, Phila. 106, Atlanta leads series tied 3-2

L.A. Clippers 110, Utah 111, L.A. Clippers lead series 3-2

**Thursday, June 17**  
Milwaukee 104, Brooklyn 89, series tied 3-3

**Friday, June 18**  
Phila. at Atlanta

Utah at L.A. Clippers

**Saturday, June 19**  
Milwaukee at Brooklyn, TBD

**Sunday, June 20**  
x-Atlanta at Phila., TBD

x-L.A. Clippers at Utah, TBD

### WNBA

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB	
Connecticut	8	4	.667	—	
New York	6	6	.500	2	
Chicago	6	7	.462	2½	
Washington	5	6	.455	2½	
Atlanta	5	7	.417	3	
Indiana	1	13	.071	8	

WESTERN CONFERENCE					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Seattle	12	2	.857	—	
Las Vegas	10	5	.769	1½	
Los Angeles	5	5	.500	5	
Minnesota	5	6	.455	5½	
Phoenix	5	7	.417	6	
Dallas	5	7	.417	6	

**Thursday's Games**  
Seattle 79, Indiana 69  
Washington 96, Atlanta 93  
Chicago 81, Connecticut 75  
Minnesota 85, Dallas 73  
Las Vegas 103, New York 76  
**Friday's Games**  
Phoenix at Los Angeles  
**Saturday's Games**  
Connecticut at Chicago, 2 p.m.  
Indiana at Washington, 7 p.m.  
Minnesota at Dallas, 8 p.m.  
**Sunday's Games**  
New York at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.  
**Monday's Games**  
No games scheduled.






# Church Directory

## ASSEMBLY OF GOD


**Gospel Light Assembly of God**, 347 Southwood Drive. Pastor Neil Jeffrey. Sunday School 9:45am (all ages). Morning worship service 10:30am. Evening service 6pm. Wednesday midweek service 7pm; Kids' Korral Wednesday 7pm. Youth meeting 7pm (ages 12-19).

 **Sweetwater Assembly of God**, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.


## BAPTIST

**Emmanuel Free Will Baptist**, 129 Southwood Drive. Pastor Terry Hinds. (260) 563-3009. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday Worship 10:30am & 6pm; Children's Church 10:30am. Wednesday morning prayer service 11am. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm. Transportation available. Sunday worship services streaming on our Facebook page

**Southside Free Will Baptist**, 360 Columbus Street. Pastor Tim Webb. Sunday School 10am. Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6pm. Sunday worship services streaming online

 **Wabash Free Will Baptist Church**, 1056 Erie Street. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 6pm. Sunday School 10am, Church 11am; evening service 6pm.

## CATHOLIC

 **St. Bernard Catholic Church**, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Father Levi Nkwocha. Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m. Face masks and social distancing required.


 **St. Patrick's Catholic Church**, Main Street in Lagro, Welcomes You Back! New Service Time 11:00 AM Sunday, October 4, Sunday November 1 and Sunday December 6. In keeping with COVID-19 State Rules, please wear a mask and socially distance. Let Us Worship Together.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH

 **Christian Heritage Church**, 2776 River Road. (260) 569-7710. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. Online services on Sunday at 10:30 am and Wednesday 6:00 pm

**LaFontaine Christian Church**, 202 Bruner Pike, LaFontaine. Minister Brad Wright. (765) 981-2101. Worship 9am & 10:30am, Nursery & Jr. Church available. Online Services available on our website


## CHURCH OF CHRIST

 **Church of Christ**, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.

## CHURCH OF GOD

**First Church of God**, 525 N. Miami Street. Pastor Robert Rensberger. (260) 563-5346. Sunday School at 9:15am, for all ages. Continental breakfast at 10am. Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am. Nursery care is available during worship service. Stair lift available.


## CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

 **Wabash Church of the Brethren**, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus... Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.


## DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

 **Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**, 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Stephen Eberhard, Minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: [www.wabashchristian.org](http://www.wabashchristian.org). Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on YouTube and Facebook.

## FRIENDS CHURCH

 **Wabash Friends Church**, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

## INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH


 **Bachelor Creek Church of Christ**, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: [bachelorcreek.com](http://bachelorcreek.com); Worship Minister - Michael Eaton, Student Minister - David Diener, Children's Minister - Tyler Leland, Middle School & Small Groups Minister - Nate Plyler, Next Steps & Outreach Minister - Ryan Keim, Women's Director- Taylor McFarland, Early Childhood Director - Janet Legesse. Worship 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.


## LUTHERAN

**Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC)**, 242 S. Huntington St., Wabash, IN. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship. Worship Services live streamed on our website. [www.LivingFaithWabash.org](http://www.LivingFaithWabash.org)

**Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)**, 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! [tlcwabash@gmail.com](mailto:tlcwabash@gmail.com).

## UNITED METHODIST

 **North Manchester United Methodist Church**, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Steve Bahrt. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

 **Richvalley United Methodist Church**, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.



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